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SRI P. PUNDARIKAKSHACHARYULU :—" Sir, from which source are the Government getting information about reputation of a particular person? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" We get it from the District Officers, Sir."

SRI M. S. MOGRAL :—" May I know, Sir, whether the M.L.As. always give coloured opinions? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" No, Sir, In some cases, they may."

Reconstruction of the bridge at Anakkayam, Ernad taluk.

* 250-D Q.—SRI KUNHI MUHAMED SHAFEE (on behalf of Sri K. M. Seethi) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there was in the past a bridge to connect Ernad and Walluvanad taluks in Malabar district at Anakkayam in the Ernad taluk ;

(*b*) when that bridge collapsed ; and

(*c*) if so, what steps have been taken to reconstruct the bridge?

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) About 75 years ago.

" (*c*) An estimate for reconstructing the bridge is under preparation. The work will be taken up as early as possible according to the availability of funds."

Veterinary Assistant Surgeon at Atmakur.

* 250-E Q.—SRI G. C. KONDAYYA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state whether the Veterinary doctor at Atmakur is a touring doctor without staff or hospital at his headquarters and was therefore unable to cope with the cattle diseases which broke out in Atmakur taluk in 1952?

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" The Veterinary Assistant Surgeon at Atmakur is in charge of a Minor Veterinary Dispensary, and has to tour when there is outbreak of contagious diseases within his jurisdiction.

The answer to the latter part of the question is in the negative. The outbreak of cattle disease (Rinderpest) in the taluk during 1952 was brought under effective control very quickly."

SRI G. C. KONDAYYA :—" Will the Hon. Minister at least now assure me whether, in view of the large scale outbreak of disease every year in Atmakur, the Government are going to start a hospital there with full equipment? "

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" Sir, as a matter of fact the number of attacks was 42 and deaths 21. The touring veterinary doctor in charge of this dispensary was given all